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PAPER

IN

COLONIES AND TRADE.

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The GOLD MEDAL, being the Premium offered by this Society for conveying from the Iſlands in the South Sea, to any of the Iſlands in the Weſt-Indies ſubject to the Crown of Great Britain, that valuable Plant the BREAD-FRUIT TREE, in a growing State, was this Seſſion adjudged to CAPTAIN WILLIAM BLIGH, of his Majeſty's ſhip Providence, from whom the following Letters and Accounts were received.

SIR,

I CONSIDER it proper that the Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, ſhould be made acquainted with the reſult of a voyage to the South Sea, which I have had the honour to execute.

The intention of it was, by his Majeſty's directions, to convey Plants of the Bread-

Fruit Tree from Otaheite to St. Helena and the Weſt-India Iſlands, and likewiſe to bring to England many rare and valuable plants.

I herewith encloſe to you the different receipts which I received abroad, on my delivering the plants to the perſons authoriſed to take charge of them; together with a paper, which ſhews at one view the reſult of the voyage. Thoſe brought to England were delivered at Kew Garden, and amounted to ſeven hundred; among which were ſome fine plants of the Bread Fruit. I requeſt you will be pleaſed to lay theſe papers before the Society for their information.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your moſt obedient,

And moſt humble ſervant,

WILLIAM BLIGH.

Durham Place, Lambeth,
Oct. 26, 1793.

Mr. MORE.

To

To CAPTAIN WILLIAM BLIGH,
Commander of his Majeſty's ſhip Providence.

SIR,

I AM directed by the Governor and Council to acknowledge the receipt of the following trees and plants, viz.

10 Pots and 1 Tub of Bread-fruit Plants, very fine.
12 Pots, ſickly.

2 Pots, containing	2 Plants of	Avees (Apples).
1 Ditto	4 Ditto	Rattah (Cheſnut).
2 Ditto	5 Ditto	Ay,yah (Jambo).
1 Ditto	1 Ditto	Mattee (Ficees).
1 Ditto	4 Ditto	Ettow
2 Ditto	2 Ditto	Pecah, beſides roots.

TIMOR PLANTS.

1 Pot, containing	4 Plants of	Nanche (Sourſop).
1 Ditto	1 Ditto	Lemon China.
1 Ditto	2 Ditto	Jambo Mare.
1 Ditto	4 Ditto	Jambo Armariah.
1 Ditto	2 Ditto	Mango.
1 Ditto	2 Ditto	Penang (Beetle Nut).
1 Ditto	2 Ditto	Long Pepper.
1 Ditto	2 Ditto	Black Pepper.
1 Ditto	1 Ditto	Bughn ah Kanangah.

The Governor and Council were greatly obliged, and highly gratified by a view of the delightful ſcene on board your ſhip, which impreſſed their minds with the warmeſt and moſt animated glow of gratitude to his Majeſty, for his royal goodneſs and benevolent attention ſhewn to the welfare of his ſubjects here and in the Weſt-India Iſlands; and it alſo raiſed in them an inexpreſſible degree of wonder and delight, to contemplate a floating garden (fraught with what may prove of ineſtimable value to that part of mankind who have the bleſſing of reſiding under his auſpices) tranſported in luxuriance from one extremity of the world to the other.

At the ſame time the Board could not help feeling a juſt ſenſe of obligation, on perceiving how ſtrong an enthuſiaſt you have been in the execution of his Majeſty's benign wiſhes; for it was impoſſible not to obſerve in every part of your ſhip the diſregard ſhewn to perſonal convenience, and the attention and excellent contrivance

diſplayed

diſplayed in the accommodation and preſervation of your invaluable cargo.

The Board will carefully repreſent theſe matters at home, as alſo the attention paid by your botaniſts here; and they preſent you with their beſt thanks, in the name of their Honourable Maſters, for your kind exertions in every inſtance to oblige them.

I have the honour to remain, SIR,

Your moſt obedient ſervant,

W. W. DOVETON, Secretary.

St. Helena,
24 *Dec.* 1792.

A liſt of Plants delivered by WILLIAM BLIGH, *Eſq. Commander of his Majeſty's ſhip Providence, into the hands of* DR. ANDERSON, *at the Botanical Garden, St. Vincent's.*

	Plants.
Bread-fruit, two of which are of *Timor*,	333
Rattah,	25
Ay,yah,	38
Av,vee,	9
O,raih,	3
Pee,ah,	7

	Plants.
Cocoa-Nut,	4
Mango,	15
Iamblang,	10
Iambo Iremavah,	5
Iambo Mà,ree,	9
Blimbing,	2
Chermailah,	3
Karambolah,	1
Lemon China, or Noneſang,	3
Coſambee,	2
Sereeboah,	2
Sereedown,	2
Peenang,	4
Nan,ka,	40
Dan,greedah,	1
Bughn, ah Kanang, ah,	3
Gwavah,	1
Coffee,	5
Almonds,	2
Plantains,	3
Ettow,	7
Mattee,	3
Sow, or Sao,	2
Total	544

THIS is to certify that the above plants were received from Willliam Bligh, Eſq. Commander of his Majeſty's ſhip Providence, at the Botanical Garden, all in the beſt order.

ALEXANDER ANDERSON, Superintendant of the Botanical Garden.
JAMES SETON.

SIR,

I RECEIVED laſt Saturday the honour of your letter of the 5th inſtant; and have taken the firſt opportunity of laying it before the Committee appointed to act in the reception of the Bread-fruit and other valuable Plants lately received. I am authoriſed to aſſure you, in their name, of the high ſenſe they entertain of your exertions and great merit in bringing to ſo happy a concluſion the beneficent object of our moſt gracious Sovereign, in the arduous taſk he thought proper to commit to your charge.

The Committee, of which I have the honour to be Chairman, will, at the meeting of the Aſſembly, report your ſervices to

the Houſe, and the high value they entertain of them.

Annexed, you will find a receipt for the various plants delivered to the order of the Committee, and by them diſtributed in ſuch manner as they have conceived beſt adapted to carry into effect his Majeſty's moſt gracious intentions to his faithful and loyal ſubjects of Jamaica.

The neceſſary orders ſhall be given to the perſons ordered to collect, in the different parts of this Iſland, as many of the plants propoſed to be ſent home for his Majeſty's garden at Kew, as the ſhortneſs of the time will permit, in order to have them ready to be ſhipped by the 1ſt of next month, according to your deſire.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your moſt obedient, humble ſervant,

HENRY SHIRLEY,

Chairman of the Committee.

Kingſton, Jamaica,
March 20, 1793.

WILLIAM BLIGH, Eſq. Commander of his Majeſty's ſhip Providence.

An Account of PLANTS *landed at* JAMAICA, *to the order of the Honourable Committee appointed to receive the ſame.*

KIND OF PLANT.	Plants landed at . Henderſon's Wharf, for county of Middleſex	Greenwich, for county of Surry and General Depot.	Port Morant, for Surry and General Depot.	Savannah La Mar, for county of Cornwall.
OTAHEITE.				
Bread-fruit -	84	75	105	83
Rattrah -	5	9	14	5
Ay,yah - -	6	18	10	7
Av,vee or Vee - -	-	3	7	
O,raiah - -	-	-	3	
Vaihee - -	-	-	2	
Pee,ah - -	-	-	7	
Cocoa Nut - -	-	2		
Ettow (red dye) -	-	-	12	
Mattee (ditto) - -	-	-	3	
POSSESSION ISLAND, NEW GUINEA.				
Sao or Sow, a kind of Plum,	-	-	3	
TIMOR.				
Bread-fruit, which bears ſeeds,	-	-	1	
Mango - -	4	4	5	4
Iamblang - -	-	7	8	
Iambo Iremavah -	-	-	4	
Iambo Mà,ree -	-	-	13	
Blimbing - -	-	-	2	
Chermailah -	-	-	3	
Coſambee - -	-	-	2	
Nanka - -	10	14	23	10
Namnam - -	-	-	5	
Pomegranates -	-	2		
Sereeboah -	-	-	2	
Peenang, or Beetle Nut	-	-	5	
Sereedown -	-	-	2	
Bintaloo -	-	-	2	
Bughn, ah Kanangah -	-	-	2	
	109	134	245	109

KIND OF PLANT.	Plants landed at Henderſon's Wharf, for county of Middleſex	Greenwich, for county of Surry and General Depot.	Port Morant, for Surry and General Depot.	Savannah La Mar, for county of Cornwall.
Brought over	109	134	245	109
Tickwood Plant, or Iattee	1	-	1	
Veſſels containing young plants of Namnam, Sow, Nanka, and others, 5 pots -	-	-	10	
SAINT HELENA.				
China Orange -	-	-	3	
Dwarf Peach -	-	-	1	
Almonds - -	-	-	3	
Coffee - -	1	2	2	
Nutmeg from St. Vincent's	-	-	1	
Poorah, ow, from Otaheite,	-	-	1	
	111	136	267	109

N. B. The Tick Plant landed at Henderſon's Wharf was ordered to be ſent to Port Morant, to Mr. Viles.

RECEIVED from William Bligh, Eſq. Commander of his Majeſty's ſhip Providence, the ſeveral Bread-fruit and various other kind of plants, named and contained in the foregoing liſt, amounting in number to ſix hundred and twenty-three plants in the whole, which have been diſtributed by the Committee appointed to act during the

receſs of the Houſe of Aſſembly, in the reception of the ſaid plants, to the ſeveral pariſhes of this Iſland, in ſuch manner as they conceived moſt beneficial to the public, and moſt agreeable to his Majeſty's moſt gracious intention.

Signed at Kingſton, 20th March, 1793,

HENRY SHIRLEY,
Chairman of the Committee.

An

An Account of the Result of CAPTAIN BLIGH'*s Voyage to procure* PLANTS *in the* SOUTH SEA.

KIND of PLANT.	Plants landed at St. Helena.	Plants landed at St. Vincent's.	Plants at JAMAICA, landed at Henderson's Wharf, for county of Middlesex.	Greenwich, for county of Surry and General Depot.	Port Morant, for county of Surry and General Depot.	Savannah La Mar, for county of Cornwall.
OTAHEITE.						
Bread-fruit -	12	331	84	75	105	83
Rattah -	4	25	5	9	14	5
Ay,yah -	5	38	6	18	10	7
Av,vee or Vee -	2	9	–	3	7	
Oraiah -	–	3	–	–	3	
Pee,ah -	2	7	–	–	7	
Vai,hee -	–	–	–	–	2	
Cocoa Nut -	–	4	–	2		
Ettow (red dye)	4	7	–	–	12	
Mattee (ditto)	1	3	–	–	3	
POSSESSION ISLAND, NEW GUINEA.						
Sao, or Sow, kind of Plum, -	–	2	–	–	3	
TIMOR.						
Bread-fruit, Otaheite kind –	–	2				
Bread-fruit, which bears feeds,	–	–	–	–	1	
Mango -	2	15	4	4	5	4
Iamblang -	–	10	–	7	8	
Iambo Iremavah -	4	5	–	–	4	
Iambo Ma,ree -	2	9	–	–	13	
Blimbing -	–	2	–	–	2	
Chermailah -	–	3	–	–	3	
Karambola -	–	1	–	–		

KIND OF PLANT.	Plants landed at St. Helena.	Plants landed at St. Vincent's.	Plants at JAMAICA, landed at Henderson's Wharf for county of Middlesex.	Greenwich, for county of Surry and General Depot.	Port Morant, for county of Surry and General Depot.	Savannah La Mar, for county of Cornwall
Nonesang, or Lemon China -	1	3				
Cosambee -	–	2	–	–	2	
Nanka -	4	40	10	14	23	10
Namnam -	–	–	–	–	5	
Pomegranates -	–	–	–	2	–	
Seeree boah, or Long Pepper -	2	2	–	–	2	
Seeree down -	2	2	–	–	2	
Peenang, or Beetle Nut	2	4	–	–	5	
Bintaloo -	–	-	–	–	2	
Dangreedah -	–	1	–	–	–	
Bughn, ah Kanangah	1	3	–	–	2	
Iattee, or Tickwood	–	–	1	–	1	
SAINT HELENA.						
Plantain -	–	3	–	–	–	
China Orange -	–	–	–	–	3	
Dwarf Peach -	–	–	–	–	1	
Almonds -	–	2	–	–	3	
Nutmeg from St. Vincent's -	–	–	–	–	1	
Coffee -	–	5	1	2	2	
Gwavah -	–	1	–	–	7	
Poorah, ow -	–	–	–	-	1	
Vessels containing young plants of Namnam, Sow, Nanka, &c. 5 pots,	–	–	–	–	10	
	50	544	111	136	267	109

The total number of Plants delivered at St. Helena, St. Vincent's, and Jamaica, amounts to one thousand two hundred and seventeen; and seven hundred plants of various kinds were landed in the River Thames, for his Majesty's Garden at Kew.